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For: TRAFFIC CONTROL APPARATUS AND SERVICE SYSTEM USING THE SAME

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The journal article "A Transient Analysis Method for a Charactoristics Extraction in WWW Server" was cited in a corresponding Japanese Office Action and its relevance is

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discussed therein. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is attached for the Examiner's information.

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